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Date:

12-27-17 - 1-8-18 Address Correction

Subject:

Carolina Water Service Inc.-Request for a rate increase for

sewer service—Residential

Reference:

Docket No. 2017-292-WS

Please do not approve this rate increase.



Please help the residents of Highland Forest Sub-Division in Greenwood, SC to stop this rate increase. Carolina Water Service Inc is already charging too much for sewer service and your attention to this problem is needed. Carolina Water Service should be trying to find ways to reduce the cost to customers.

The current rate charged by Carolina Water Service Inc. for Sewer Service is \$57.58 per month. This current rate paid to Carolina Water Service is much higher (About \$21 more a month) than the rate paid by other Greenwood residents to the local sewer service provider.

The proposed requested new rate is \$69.76.

The rate increase requested is an extra \$12.18 per month.

This is a requested rate increase of 21.16%.

This amount of rate increase is not fair to the customers.

The State should conduct an audit of Carolina Water Service Inc.
The State should check out the sewer system in Greenwood SC.
The current rate charged for sewer service is 1.60 times higher than my current water bill. Could the State consider having a local sewer provider taking over this service for the Greenwood SC residents?
Or could the State provide this sewer service for us? Something need to be done to stop this high cost sewer service to SC residents.
This proposed rate is 1.94 times my water bill. This is not fair.

Thanks for your concern about this problem,